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Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below.

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--This application is a Continued Prosecution Application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/487,923 filed on January 19, 2000, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/780,023 entitled "INTRANET SCANNING TERMINAL SYSTEM" filed on December 20, 1996, and now U.S. Patent No. 6,084,528 granted on July 4, 2000, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/706,579 entitled "DEVICE AND METHOD FOR SECURE DATA UPDATES IN A SELF-CHECKOUT SYSTEM" filed on September 5, 1996, and now U.S. Patent No. 5,825,002 granted on October 20, 1998.--